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To: Subst. House Bill No. **6701**

File No. 594

Cal. No. 403

"AN ACT CONCERNING ENHANCEMENTS TO THE CHILD SUPPORT ENFORCEMENT SYSTEM."

- 1 Strike sections 3 to 5, inclusive, in their entirety and renumber the
- 2 remaining sections accordingly
- 3 Strike section 8 in its entirety and insert the following in lieu thereof:
- 4 "Sec. 8. (NEW) For the purposes of Part XII of chapter 669 of the
- 5 general statutes, any person who is engaged in the business of
- 6 collecting child support pursuant to subsection (a) of section 36a-801 of
- 7 the general statutes shall be a consumer collection agency."
- 8 In line 258, after "any" insert "past due" and after "support" strike
- 9 "payments" and insert "at the time of the contract"
- 10 Strike lines 259 to 263, inclusive, in their entirety and insert the
- 11 following in lieu thereof:

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- 12 "<u>in excess of twenty-five per cent.</u>"
- 13 Strike lines 270 to 278, inclusive, in their entirety and insert the
- 14 following in lieu thereof: "nominal fee."
- 15 Strike sections 11 to 23, inclusive, in their entirety and renumber the
- 16 remaining sections accordingly
- 17 Strike lines 572 and 573 in their entirety and insert the following:
- 18 "(2) Notice [that] of the amount [the first one hundred forty-five
- dollars per week] of disposable earnings that are exempt from the"
- Strike sections 25 to 30, inclusive, and sections 33 to 40, inclusive, in
- 21 their entirety and renumber the remaining sections accordingly
- 22 After line 1062, insert the following and renumber the remaining
- 23 section accordingly
- 24 "Sec. 41. (NEW) The Commissioner of Social Services shall establish
- an arrearage forgiveness program in which the past due support owed
- 26 by any obligor payable to the state acting by and through the IV-D
- 27 agency may be forgiven. The commissioner, in deciding whether to
- 28 forgive any arrearage of an obligor, shall consider the likelihood of
- 29 continued compliance with support obligations, visitation of any child
- 30 of the obligor, involvement in the life of any such child and any other
- 31 contribution to the emotional well-being of any such child.
- 32 Sec. 42. Section 29-1g of the general statutes is repealed and the
- 33 following is substituted in lieu thereof:
- 34 The Commissioner of Public Safety may appoint [not more than
- 35 two] persons nominated by the Commissioner of Social Services as
- 36 special [policemen] police officers in the Bureau of Child Support
- 37 Enforcement of the Department of Social Services and persons
- 38 nominated by the Chief Court Administrator of the Judicial Branch as
- 39 special police officers in Support Enforcement Services of the Judicial
- 40 Branch for the service of any warrant or capias mittimus issued by the

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41 courts on child support matters. Such appointees, having been sworn,

- 42 shall serve at the pleasure of the Commissioner of Public Safety and,
- 43 during such tenure, shall have all the powers conferred on the state
- 44 [policemen] police officers and state marshals."